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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/822,855; Filed: April 13, 2004  
For: **Gap Seal Between Nozzle Components**  
Inventors: Babin *et al.*  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Power of Attorney to Prosecute Applications Before the USPTO;
2. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b);
3. Change of Correspondence Address;
4. Supplemental Application Data Sheet; and
5. One (1) return postcard.

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